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1. (Confidential - GLC) By way of followup to my conversations yesterday with J. Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, I told him today that I had checked with knowledgeable people here who felt that Paul Scott's column for publication tomorrow was largely a "cut and paste" job taken from the 10 May Time article and other news stories reporting on the situation in Mexico. The only exceptions to this were the paragraphs about U.S. citizens reentering this country through Mexico and reference to an Agency estimate on the subject generally. I said I was unable to locate anyone with any knowledge on either of these two subjects, although it was possible that some other branch of the Government had information about the reentry through Mexico.

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3. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that he does not foresee Committee hearing on the Agency budget during the next few weeks. The Committee schedule is overcommitted at this time with hearings the first of next week on European troop bases.

I briefed Mr. Preston on the 10 May Soviet Mars probe failure and Soviet ABM facilities at Sary Shagan.

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4. (Internal Use Only - JGO) I met with Miss Jane Pavlic, in the office of Representative Guy Vander Jagt (R., Mich.), and reviewed with her the allegations against the Central Intelligence Agency contained in the recent Ramparts article on dope traffic in the Far East and suggested to her that she cite Mr. Helms' statement in his address to the American Society of Newspaper Editors and Roland Paul in the April issue of Foreign Affairs in responding to their constituent. I also gave her a copy of the Agency pamphlet. Miss Pavlic told me that their office has become somewhat concerned over this matter in part because of information received in conversation with the staff in the office of Representative Robert H. Steele (R., Conn.) to the effect that Representative Steele's report will indicate transport of narcotics in the Far East through the use of chartered American transport aircraft.

5. (Internal Use Only - LLM) Jack Norpel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee Staff, called to advise that the scheme that the IRS Agent, Handley, was investigating involved narcotics (see Journal of 12 May 1971).


6. (Unclassified - RCR) In response to her request, sent an employment package to Mrs. Castleberry, in the office of Representative Gus Yatron (D., Pa.).

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